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TO:

Jean Plondke

FROM:

Robert Oldham

SUBJECT: Sample 40-010.200 (Lab. No. 1887)

Please remove results from CHEM FILE that have been reported for sample 40-010.200 (Lab. No. 1887). The sample that was analyzed did not consist entirely of carpals of the left hand as the sample description indicates. The ratio of ash weight (9.989 grams) to wet weight (II.4 grams) for this sample is 0.88 when one would expect it to be approximately 0.25. The indicated wet weight is, according to J. Farnham, a reasonable weight for the carpals of one hand. This and the fact that the dry weight (28.78 grams) exceeds the wet weight indicates that bone other than left hand carpals must have been added to the sample between the time that the wet weight was measured by the Bone and Dosimetry Group and the sample was dried and ashed by Frank Ilcewicz (RCS1 FI). Therefore, the results reported for this sample are suspect and should be deleted.